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## SOUL-WINNING HIGHLIGHTS EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCE

### RECORD BAD WEATHER ENCOUNTERED FOR MEETING

The winds blew, the snow came, the sleet followed but more than a hundred hardy out-of-Jackson Baptists came to the Evangelistic Conference at Jackson, January 30-February 1.

In spite of the worst weather since 1889, the program as planned with a few alternatives was carried out with the exception of the Thursday night rally which was cancelled.

Due to the severity of the weather there were no lights nor heat at the First Baptist Church but the speakers were there.

One speaker said concerning the lack of light, "I couldn't see my notes, but the audience couldn't see me either."

New Testament evangelism was presented by the speakers with warm hearts to a cold crowd. But nobody complained. For if the physical temperature was low, the spiritual temperatures were high.

"I am not looking for a place to hide," declared Dr. Monroe F. Swilley to the conference members Tuesday night in making the climatic address of the evening.

He was referring to the current search on the part of many people for all kinds of security, and his declaration was an answer to the title of one of today's best-sellers, "No Place to Hide."

"This is a time for real Christian wit-

## FIRE DESTROYS BUILDING ON HILLMAN CAMPUS

During the worst spell of weather Clinton has experienced for many years, when the lights and water were off due to the power line being broken down by ice and sleet, an apartment house on the historic Hillman campus burned completely last Thursday night. Five families living in the house at the time escaped safely, saving most of their personal property.

Dr. F. A. Lord, professor of history and his family, occupied the main floor of the building which was burned. The students were Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Matthews of Westerville, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Bonelli of Vicksburg, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Weatherford and child of Decatur, and Rev. and Mrs. James Blakeman and two children of Louisiana.

All of the families were taken care of for the night by the generous neighbors and apartments were provided the next day. This is the first fire ever to occur on the Hillman campus. The two nearby buildings did not catch fire but were damaged by broken windows, scorched paint, etc. Several hundred college boys and helpful citizens worked faithfully to help save property and other buildings.

The faculty and students are collecting clothes and money to help those who suffered loss, and a free will offering was taken at church Sunday morning for the same purpose.

nessing," Dr. Swilley stressed. He is pastor of the Second Ponce de Leon Church in Atlanta.

"There are over 700,000 unsaved persons in Mississippi," Dr. J. A. Pennington stressed in his address "Our South-wide Evangelistic Opportunity." "Every pastor must cooperate in our Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade March 25-April 8 in 18,000 churches east of the Mississippi River," the speaker declared.

He is secretary of Evangelism for Oklahoma Baptists, and last year led his state as one of the most successful of the simultaneous campaigns in states west of the Mississippi River.

The evening was keynoted by the Mississippi Executive Secretary, Rev. Chester Quarles, who said the simul-

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## Burglar Wastes Time Trying To Rob Safes In Baptist Building

### NOTHING LOST EXCEPT THIEVES' TIME AND EFFORT

### SB Editors To Meet In Tampa Feb. 13

The Southern Baptist Press Association composed of editors of Southern Baptist publications will meet for their annual mid-winter session in Tampa Florida, Feb. 13-15. Officers of the Association are: A. L. Goodrich, editor of the Mississippi Baptist Record, president; Dr. L. L. Carpenter, editor of the North Carolina Biblical Recorder, vice-president, and Rev. W. Barry Garrett,

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Would-be safecrackers made a vain attempt to rob the vaults in the Baptist Building on Sunday night, February 4.

Two safes in the Bookkeeping Department had the knobs knocked off from the outside. However, the thieves were unable to open the safes. Had they succeeded, they would still have been wasting their time because no cash is kept overnight in the Baptist Building. The safes contained only legal papers.

The thieves entered the building through a window in the office of the editor of the Baptist Record. They ripped the screen, removed a window pane and laid it carefully in a chair nearby to prevent its breaking. (Editor's Note: How thoughtful).

Entering through the editor's office made it convenient for the burglars to rifle the desk of the Baptist Record bookkeeper. The only thing they found there was disappointment. Jimmying the lock to the Bookkeeping Department of the Convention Board, they broke the knobs of the two safes and a vault and, failing to gain entrance to either, they gave it up as a bad job and left. So far detectives of the Jackson Police Department have not been able to apprehend the criminals.

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## 135 Chaplains Needed For U. S. Army

The Army has appealed for 135 clergymen to volunteer to serve as chaplains on active duty with American troops. While the authority exists for recalling chaplains now on reserve status, every effort will be made to meet present personnel needs with volunteers, the Chief of Chaplains (Major General) Roy H. Parker declared.

"We are especially anxious to receive applications from clergymen without previous military training who wish to be commissioned in the Reserve in order to qualify for a tour of active duty," Chaplain Parker said.

Clergymen without previous military experience must not have attained their 33rd birthday to apply for a commission as chaplain in the Reserve. Original appointments in the Reserve are made only in the grade of first lieutenant.

National Guard and Reserve chaplains not on active duty are also eligible to volunteer.

The openings to be filled from the Reserves are in the grades of first lieutenant and captain. To qualify for active duty as first lieutenants, applicants must not have attained their fortieth birthday,

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## No Draft-Dodgers in Seminaries

By DR. DUKE K. McCALL

The national headquarters of the Selective Service System has just released a study of enrolment in theological seminaries in connection with draft exemption. The study extended from 1937 to 1950. A total of 561 recognized theological schools were investigated.

The conclusion of the study is:

"The question of whether the exemption of theological students from the draft in a time of war would cause 'a great rush' to the divinity schools seems to have been well answered by the information gathered.

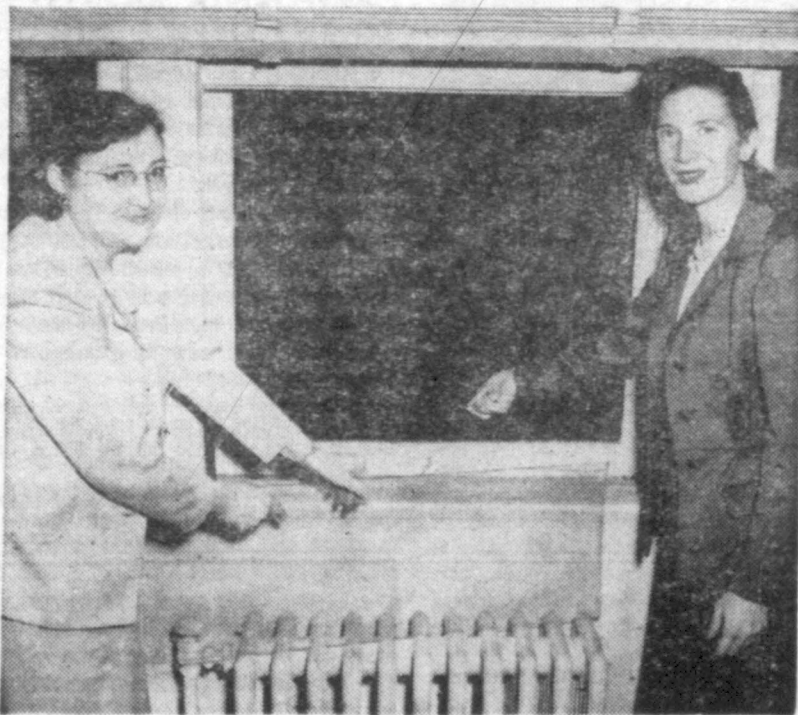
"This information shows that the theo-

logical schools have had an over-all enrolment growth during the past twelve years; that this was greatly reduced during the years of conflict, despite the draft provision exempting divinity students from call, and that it reappeared in increased proportions after the cessation of hostilities."

The study revealed the 96 per cent of Baptist theological students are over nineteen years of age. Only 45 per cent of Catholic theological students are over age nineteen.

In the first full school year after World War II, 31 per cent of the Baptist

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Shown above are Mrs. Eleanor Smith, left, office secretary, and Mrs. Clifton Nettles, right, editorial assistant in the

Record office, as they show the window through which the burglars made their entrance into the Baptist Building.

## The Baptist Record EF Plan Increases Finances



**Soul-Winning Highlights**

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taneous campaign in Mississippi would be based on organization, planning, work and spiritual power.

"Last year," he said, "we had approximately 17,500 baptisms. If each of the more than 1,000 Baptist preachers in Mississippi would win two persons a month we would have more than 24,000 baptisms in 1951."

"Furthermore," he declared, "if there are approximately 16,700 Baptist deacons in Mississippi and each deacon would win one per month, we would have 300,400 more souls saved."

In addition to these, Mr. Quarles said that each Sunday School officer and teacher, each W. M. U. officer, each Training Union officer and each Brotherhood officer should win at least one each month and thus account for other thousands.

He also challenged each of the 370,000 Baptists in Mississippi to win one person during 1951.

Florida's State Mission Secretary John McGuire emphasized "Getting a Church Ready for a Revival." "Many revival meetings are not successful because the church and pastor do not prepare for the meeting," said Dr. McGuire.

Dr. C. E. Matthews outlined the Southern Baptist program of evangelism and also emphasized preparing for the coming Evangelistic Crusade.

Dr. R. G. Lee who was scheduled to speak at the rally on Thursday night spoke on Thursday morning and, as usual, brought a heart-warming evangelistic message.

After hearing the various Mississippi men on the program, it was the opinion of many that Mississippi Baptists are rich in talent.

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**SB Editors To Meet**

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editor of the Arizona Baptist Beacon, secretary and treasurer.

Host editor for the meeting will be Dr. W. G. Stracener, editor of the Florida Baptist Witness.

The main feature of the meeting will be a series of addresses by Dr. John E. Drewry, head of the Department of Journalism of the University of Georgia. Dr. Drewry has been making a study of the Southern Baptist papers for the past several months and will give the result of his study in a series of addresses.

Dr. Clifton J. Allen, book editor of the Baptist Sunday School Board will deliver an address on the subject "Denominational Strategy in the Field of Religious Journalism."

Porter Routh, secretary of the Department of Survey, Statistics and Information of the Southern Baptist Convention will speak on "Southern Baptist Gains and Losses during 1950."

Edwin Wilson, managing editor of the Braille Evangel, and Dr. Norman W. Cox, newly elected secretary of the Historical Commission, are expected to be present and outline their work.

Southern Baptist Editors who are scheduled to have parts on the program include Dr. R. E. Alley, editor of the Virginia Religious Herald; Dr. R. T. Skinner, editor of the Kentucky Western Recorder; Dr. F. W. Tinnin, editor of the Louisiana Baptist Message; Dr. W. G. Stracener, editor of the Florida Baptist Witness; Dr. A. L. Goodrich, editor of the Mississippi Baptist Record; Dr. Leon Macon, editor of the Alabama Baptists; John Jeter Hurt, Jr., editor of the Georgia Baptists Index; Dr. R. N. Owen, editor of the Tennessee Baptist and Reflector; Dr. L. L. Carmenter, editor of

the North Carolina Biblical Recorder, and Rev. B. J. Murrie, editor of the Illinois Baptist.

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**No Draft-Dodgers In**

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theological students were veterans as compared with 6.7 per cent of the Catholic students and 3.2 per cent of the Jewish students. This indicates that a smaller portion of Baptist theological students had secured exemption from armed service.

The number of Baptist theological students increased from the school year beginning in 1937 to the school year beginning in 1940 from 2,026 to 2,532. The enrolment in the same schools increased by another 500 during the war years. In the first year after the war the enrolment of the same institutions increased 599. The total increase of enrolment in Baptist theological students from the close of the war until the present is exactly 1,050.

During the war years enrolment in Catholic theological students increased by 9.3 per cent. Protestant schools drew almost exactly at the same rate, increasing in enrolment by 9.2 per cent. Enrolment in Jewish theological schools jumped during the war 26.6 per cent.

The growth in Southern Baptist theological schools since the close of World War II has been limited by the housing and classroom capacities of the institutions.

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**135 Chaplains Needed**

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while those seeking duty as captains can not have attained their forty-third birthday.

Complete information is available through Reserve or National Guard channels or from The Military Personnel Division, Office, Chief of Chaplains, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C.

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**Protest Sunday As Civil Defense Day**

SAGINAW, Mich.—(RNS)—A protest against the designation of Sunday, April 15, as "Michigan Civil Defense Day," was made by the Saginaw Ministerial Association.

"The choice of a Sunday for a large-scale testing of the state's defenses is altogether out of place," declared Dr. Don A. Morris, association president, in a letter to Gov. G. Mennen Williams.

Dr. Morris said the tests would have a tendency to detract from regular Sunday church attendance.

Dr. Morris said the association "feels that the first line of defense of our nation lies in holding the sacredness of the Sabbath day."

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**MRS. FANNY OLIVER SPENCER**

Mrs. Fanny Oliver Spencer, 79, and mother of Dr. Harry L. Spencer, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, died suddenly Saturday, February 3 at her home in Clinton, where she had lived for the past 27 years. The daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John Andrew Oliver, she was born and reared in Carroll County.

Other survivors are: E. O. Spencer, President of the Walthall Hotel Company and J. A. S. C. Spencer, of Jackson and H. C. Spencer, Jr., of Clinton; one daughter, Miss Marguerite Spencer of Jackson and two sisters: Mrs. Sallie Oliver Wall, Jacksonville, Texas, and Mrs. J. C. Coker, Yazoo City.

Funeral services were held in Jackson on Monday afternoon with her pastor, Rev. Nolan M. Kennedy, pastor of the



Shown above is Editor A. L. Goodrich of the Baptist Record examining one of the cylinders knocked off of one of the safes in the Baptist Building by would-be burglars. Mrs. Daphne Pridgen, head bookkeeper, looks on.

**Charles Wellborn In New York City**

NEW YORK, N. Y.—(BP)—This Metropolitan city had a taste of Southern preaching when Charles Wellborn, Southern Baptist radio preacher, supplied the pulpit of Calvary Baptist Church here on the recent New Year's week-end. He was well received according to Rev. John S. Wimbish, pastor of the church.

Wellborn said of the experience, "I found myself standing before an auditorium filled to capacity with people from every section of New York City. They stayed, singing hymns, fellowshiping, worshipping until they saw the New Year in with prayer."

John S. Wimbish, formerly of South Carolina, has been pastor of the church since June 1, 1950.

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**CALIFORNIA BAPTISTS TO BUY OFFICE BUILDING**

FRESNO, Calif.—(BP)—Southern Baptists in California recently approved a \$135,000 state mission budget, according to Floyd Looney, editor, California Southern Baptist.

The board also elected H. H. Stagg as director of evangelism and A. C. Turner as director of promotion. Plans were approved for a mission program calling for 12 general missionaries and for the purchase of a new headquarters building.

Clinton Baptist Church and Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of the First Church, Jackson, officiating.

Interment was in Lakewood Memorial Park.

"HAWAII" IS AN INTERESTINGLY written article which appears in the February issue of the Baptist Student. The writer of the article is Miss Miriam Preston, who is president of the BSU at Blue Mountain. Miss Preston served in Vacation Bible School and Youth Revival work in the summer of 1950, while a guest of Miss Josephine Harris, missionary in Hawaii.

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# The Doctrine Of The Tithe

By DR. HARRY LEE SPENCER  
Executive Secretary

Mississippi Baptist Foundation

Rich, indeed, is the doctrinal heritage of Baptists. We trace our lineage back to New Testament days through what Dr. Newman calls the old evangelical parties who never gave their consent to the State Church and who never compromised their allegiance to the New Testament. Then when the Reformation came in 1525 A. D. the Ana Baptists were there trying to get Martin Luther to go all the way to the New Testament, and it has been said that if he could have carried the German princes with him he would have.

We know the story of the Pilgrim Fathers and of Roger Williams. We, also, know what the Baptist Fathers of Virginia did when our Constitution was in the making. The correspondence between them and Mr. Madison and George Washington is preserved in Mr. Semple's HISTORY OF VIRGINIA BAPTISTS. The result was the first amendment to our Constitution.

Great as this heritage is and proud as we are of it, there is one doctrine that our Baptist Fathers omitted to teach and preach, and that is the doctrine of stewardship and tithing. There were reasons for it. The South was undeveloped and poverty stricken. Yet, the doctrine was there just as it is now deep and broad in the Word of God.

We find that to begin with Abraham was a tither. We read in Genesis 14:20 that Melchizedek, King of Salem and Prince of the most High God, went out to bless Abraham. And then we read "And he (Abraham) gave him a tenth of all." There is no explanation of how he came to be a tither, it just says he did. Naturally the question arises, "Where did the idea and the practice come from? Who ever thought of the tithe in the first place?"

There is a saying that the Indian would usually answer your question by asking you another. So we ask, "Where did the altar as a form of worship come from? Who ever thought of the altar and sacrifice as an expression of man's devotion toward God?"

## Origin Of The Altar

In the third chapter of Genesis where God deals with fallen man, we find three significant things. The first prophecy of Christ the seed of the woman who will bruise the head of the serpent in verse 15 and in verse 21, "And Jehovah God made for Adam and for his wife coats of skin and clothed them" And in verse 24, "So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the Garden of Cherubim, and the flame of a sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life." And here is the beginning of the altar. Later when Moses built the tabernacle God told him to make the Ark of the Covenant with the Mercy Seat and Cherubim on either side and place it in the Holy of Holies. He also told Moses that He would be found in the Holy of Holies over the Ark of the Covenant above the Mercy Seat between the Cherubim and that this place was only entered once each year and always with the blood of sacrifice.

The origin of the altar then is deep in the heart of God. We are told that Christ is the Lamb of God slain from before the foundation of the world. The cross of Christ then has been lifted up back in eternity before the world was and has cast its shadow across the landscape of the Old Testament.

The tithe came from the same source. It has been called the hand maid of the

altar. God commanded that the fire on the altar burn forever, and the tithe is His provision for it.

Jacob, also, in his vow to God in Genesis 28:22 said, "I will surely give the tenth unto thee."

When Moses came to write the Law the tithe was included in it. Common usage is the origin of many of our laws today. This law had back of it also divine inspiration. In Leviticus 27:30-34 we are told that all the tithe of the land and of the herd is the Lord's. But it says the tithe is holy unto the Lord in verses 30 and 33. The Scripture plainly states that the earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein. "The gold and the silver are mine," says the Lord, "and the cattle on a thousand hills." But the tenth is holy unto the Lord. Just as He said unto Moses that the first born of Israel who were saved by the blood on the door posts and later the Levites whom He took in exchange for the first born, were holy unto the Lord, meaning that they were consecrated unto the ministry of holy things. They were not given an inheritance of land as were the other eleven tribes but were to share the inheritance of the altar, which was the tithe.

We recall God's instructions to Joshua concerning Jericho—That none of the spoils were to be taken by the people for their own use, but were to be devoted to God's use. Achan violated this command desecrating that which was holy and brought defeat to the Army of Israel at An until that sin was put away.

## THE TITHE IS IN THE LAWS

The tithe is the Lord's; it is holy unto the Lord, and we sin who desecrate it, just as we sin when we desecrate the Sabbath or the marriage vow.

The last Old Testament prophet cried against backslidden idolatrous Israel saying, "Ye are cursed with a curse; for ye have robbed me in tithes and offerings," and called on them, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house; saith the Lord of hosts."

But there are those who say we are not under the law; we are under grace and seek to brush aside this great doctrine. Let us sit on the hillside amid the multitude and listen to Jesus as He gives the Sermon on the Mount and hear Him say, "Think not that I came to destroy the law of the prophets. I came not to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass away from the law, till all things be accomplished." Matt. 5:17-18. Remember the tithe is written into the heart of the Law.

The writer of Hebrews (Chapter 8, verse 7, says, "For if that first covenant had been faultless, then would no place have been sought for a second. For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah; After those days, saith the Lord; I will put laws into their mind, and on their heart also will I write them." This commentary on the words of Jesus that He came to fulfil the law and also on regeneration and the new birth is to the effect that stewardship and tithing is written in the natures of redeemed men and women.

Paul in II Cor. 3:3 says, "being made manifest that ye are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in tables that are

hearts of flesh." Then Paul's admonition comes in II Cor. 8:7 where he says, "But as ye abound in everything, in faith and utterance, and knowledge, and in all earnestness, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also." The grace of liberality, giving, literally see that you practice the Law of stewardship and tithing that is written not only in Word of God but in your hearts.

But what did Jesus say about tithing specifically? In Matt. 23:23 He said, "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye tithe mint and anise and cummin, and have left undone the weightier matters of the law, justice, and mercy, and faith. But these ye ought to have done, and not to have left the other undone."

This word, "ought" is the same word Paul uses in Romans 1:14, "I am debtor" and is sixteen times translated "ought" in the New Testament. If Jesus said that the scribes and Pharisees were under obligation to tithe, if He himself tithed and we know He did, what does He expect of you and of me?

## GOD'S INCENTIVE TO GIVE

It is a revelation to study the whole Scriptural pattern of the inducements God offers to His people to practice the doctrine of stewardship and tithing. Proverbs 3:9, "Honor Jehovah with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase: so shall they barns be filled with plenty, and thy vats shall overflow with new wine." In Malachi 3:10, "Bring ye the whole tithe into the store-house, that there may be food in my house, and prove me now herewith, saith Jehovah of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." And in Luke 6:38, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, shall they give into your bosom." Our Savior dealt with this great subject in the Sermon on the Mount when He said in Matt. 6:19, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth, where moth and rust consume, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in

# Have Summer Term For G.I. Students

The New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary is offering a regular quarters work of eight weeks summer school for G. I. students.

This session will begin May 8 and close June 29.

All G. I.'s interested will please write Mr. Upton Reynolds, Registrar 1220 Washington Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana.

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MACEDONIA CHURCH IN WINSTON Association has laid the foundation for four other Sunday School rooms at the rear of the auditorium, just a year after the completion of two new Sunday School rooms. The work is being supervised by Rev. E. D. Estes.

REV. JEWEL GOLMAN, OF CLARA, pastor of Salem Church in Lauderdale County, taught a study course to fifty of the members recently. The text was "Bible and Prayer."

FIFTEENTH AVENUE CHURCH, Meridian, upon recommendation of the deacons, has elected Rev. J. L. Morgan of Enterprise as full-time pastor of the Marion Roads Baptist Chapel. The chapel is sponsored by the Fifteenth Avenue Church.

heaven, where neither moth no rust doth consume, and where thieves do not break through nor steal." But in verse 21 He gives the reason for this admonition which is that God wants not primarily our treasure but our hearts, for He says, "For where thy treasure is, there will thy heart be also."

God's incentives to give are everywhere the benefits to His people. His purpose then to be accomplished through this doctrine is primarily the saving of His people, the cure of covetousness, what God's people are to get, and not primarily what they are to give, for in Matt. 6:33 He says, "But seek ye first his kingdom and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."



Shown above is the oil painting which hangs above the baptistry of the Wade Church, near Pascagoula. A new \$75,000 building has just been completed.

The picture which covers 48 square feet shows a scene of the River Jordan and was painted by Joe Tillman. Despite the loss of an eye, an arm, and a leg, he found that his faith in God had not been affected by his unusual misfortunes, and he readily claims that spiritual strength aided his decision to try his hand at painting. Religion occupies his major art interests, and he is at present working on two other church paintings.



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## Advice To Burglars

On another page is an account of an attempted robbery at the Baptist Building. We do not think they were Baptists. Had they been they would have known that the chances were slim that the safes contained money. In order to save time for any prospective thieves, we offer the following information.

1. No money is kept in the Baptist Building overnight. Receipts are deposited daily.
2. If all receipts of any day were kept in the safes the total cash would not be worth the trouble. Most receipts are in the form of checks and money orders.
3. If anyone plans a similar robbery attempt, come before eleven a. m., as all receipts are sent to the bank by that time.

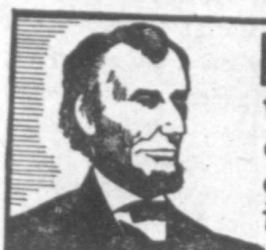
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## The Evangelistic Conference

Certainly no previous Evangelistic Conference has excelled the one held in Jackson (partly in the First Church and partly in the Robert E. Lee Hotel), January 30-February 1. Due to the extremely bad weather the heat and lights were off at the church, hence the move to the hotel.

Although the attendance was much less than it would have been with normal weather, the spirit of those present was at a high level. Many declared that they never heard so many truly great messages in any one conference. Amens were frequent and tears, often unseen because of the lack of light, came often. All present were challenged to either evangelize or be paganized.

We offer our congratulations to Secretary Quarles, the Evangelistic Committee and all who had a part. The influence of this meeting is



I shall try to correct errors where shown to be errors, and I shall adopt new views as fast as they shall appear to be true views. ABRAHAM LINCOLN

destined to reach the remotest areas of our state. Many of us are going to try and do more and better.

This conference will give impetus to the Evangelistic Crusade scheduled for March 25-April 8 and to the evangelistic effort in Mississippi for years to come. The fires of evangelism kindled in the hearts of those who were present will undoubtedly spread throughout the churches and local communities represented by those in attendance. It is confidently hoped and expected that the results in baptisms will far exceed any previous year in the history of Mississippi Baptists.

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## Don't Blame the P. O.

If you received last week's Baptist Record almost a week late, don't blame the Post Office nor the printers. The weather is to blame.

The Baptist Record was printed on time and delivered to the mailing room of the Baptist Record. But due to the heavy sleet, electric lines furnishing power to the Baptist Building were broken and no electricity was available at Baptist Headquarters until Monday of this week. It requires electricity to run the addressing machines. The Baptist Records were addressed and mailed, more than 68,000 of them, on Monday of this week.

So far as we know, this is the first time in the history of the Baptist Record that the papers were not addressed and mailed on time.

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## The Snow Storm

We Mississippians have seen a snow storm and words fail us when we try to describe it. We have heard words like these, "My, isn't this awful? I have never seen a worse snow in all my life. It has done more destruction than a cyclone. We have no electricity, no telephone service, no water, and we can't even listen to the radio."

We admit that it has greatly inconvenienced us, but we can also enumerate some good that has come from it.

The Psalmist said, "Be still and know that I am God" and no one who thinks seriously could fail to note the handiwork of Him who created the heavens and earth. The earth is a thing of beauty, with the

trees hanging with icicles sparkling like myriads of diamonds. We need to keep still awhile and cut off distractions and think about God and His power.

We have seen trees fall, young and old ones, huge useless limbs from trees drop out. It reminds us of how some members of our churches are dropping out—some because of age and others because there is nothing for them to do. When the heavy dead limbs fell tumbling down, often they struck the young limbs and caused them to either fall out or to bend very low.

We see the power lines down and until the obstruction is removed and much mending done, they are useless. I wonder if sometimes it is not because of debris, frustrations and broken lines that we don't get the circuit completed to God's great power house.

We know that before everything is set up right again and things move off normally, much cooperative work will have to be done. From the highest executive to the street cleaners a job must be done.

God who marshals all of our forces is a gracious God and plentiful in mercy. We have not had all the conveniences that we would like to have had, but we haven't lacked for food or heat, for which we are truly grateful.

Let's be Pollyannas and say that good can come out of a storm.

—BR—

## Fifteen Great Days

Any Mississippi Baptist who has a pessimistic idea about Baptist affairs, about Baptist giving, and about Baptist interests would have become an optimist had he attended any of the fifteen Leadership Conferences held in Mississippi January 8-26. Our readers are acquainted with the places where the meetings were held and the people who had parts on the program. But those who were not there cannot know the high hours that were had and the high peaks that were reached.

Mission programs were presented, evangelistic efforts were outlined, tithing and stewardship were highlighted and, incidentally, a few words spoken about the Baptist Record.

Meeting and greeting Baptists throughout the state, hearing our brethren explain their work and lift high the banner of the cross,

seeing the determination upon the hearts of the people present, made us more and more optimistic about the future of Mississippi Baptist affairs. Mississippi Baptists are marching forward and are planning to make great forward steps in the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade and then to back it up with stewardship as never before.

On every hand we saw anxious faces concerning world conditions. They are concerned. Many are worried. On every hand we heard the expression that Christ and Christ alone is the answer for a troubled and anxious world.

Evangelism and stewardship received the major emphasis. Speaker after speaker poured out his heart on these subjects. We have a feeling that the coming Evangelistic Crusade is going to be the greatest thing of its kind that Baptists have ever undertaken, both in number and results.

Baptists know whom they have believed and they are persuaded that He has not only saved them, but that He will save unto the uttermost. They propose to make that message known to every possible lost person and then to line those people up along with themselves in a great forward march for Christ.

—BR—

## Our Readers Write

Coldwater, Miss.

## MORE ABOUT "Jehovah's Witnesses"

I have just read Dr. Routh's illuminating article about the doctrines and errors of "Jehovah's Witnesses," and the excerpts from letters received by the editor from members of this group. I feel that it might be illuminating to give a little personal testimony concerning the genesis and background of this movement.

When I was a boy on a Texas farm who eagerly devoured every printed page that was available, someone paid for a set of "Pastor" Russell's "Studies in the Scriptures" to be sent to me. There were six volumes, well printed and attractively bound. During the long winter afternoons and evenings I read them through, from the first page to the last. The same "philanthropist" sent in my name for a year's subscription to the "Watch-Tower."

Not being very well-grounded in the doctrines of the Word, most of Russell's heresies escaped me. I remember that I was dubious about the "soul-sleeping" theory, and about the teaching that Jesus became the Christ at His resurrection, the thousand-year "second-chance" for those who did not trust Christ in this life—(the argument here based on its appeal on the millions who never heard of Christ), and the annihilation theory of Hell. But the thing that gripped me was his "proof" that the present age would end in 1916, and the millenium begin. I had heard a good many preachers spend a lot of time on the seven-dispensation of a thousand years each theory, and in interpreting the "time, time, and half time" of prophecy on the basis of a "day for a thousand years and a thousand years for a day" idea, bringing in the 70 weeks of Daniel, etc. So I took a pencil and figured along with "Pastor" Russell. My father remonstrated.

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## OUR READERS WRITE

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ed me about my obsession for Russell's books and writings, and I remember replying with the brashness of youth: "I haven't been convinced, yet, but if Russell is right I intend to take the field in support of his views, if he is wrong I'll take the stump against them."

It was about this time that I attended a "house party" of Russellites, as they were called, but who called themselves the "International Bible Students Association," in Paris, Texas. In the group was one who had received the assurance that he was one of the 144,000 mentioned in Revelation—a very ordinary farmer with a red handle-bar moustache, who was regarded almost with reverence by the rest. When I returned home, I read the books again, and this time I looked up the references in my Bible, reading the whole verse when a part was quoted, as well as the preceding and following verses. Gradually the heresies pointed out by Dr. Routh were clear to me. I hid the books away, and later destroyed them for fear other members of the family might be influenced by them, and not escape.

In those days "Jpdge" Rutherford was a sort of Timothy to Russell's Paul. After Russell's death in 1916, there was a great falling away, especially during World War I when a seventh volume of the "Studies" was considered subversive. For a decade little was heard of it. When it was revived "Judge" Rutherford was in the saddle, and his books, rather than Russell's "studies" were being peddled from house to house.

The movement appeals to the "underdog" psychology, who are taught that the "clergy"—which is not only the Roman Catholic Hierarchy, but all protestant pastors and church officials, hold the people in spiritual bondage, withholding the truth and teaching error. All organized churches—except, of course, "Jehovah's Witnesses", are a part of the present world-order that is to be destroyed. Russell was not as bitter as the more recent leadership; his followers were to remain in the churches as a sort of "fifth-column" winning "Bible students" to learn the truth. I was reading the Watch Tower when he issued the "call": "Come out from among them and be ye separate." The movement makes the same appeal in religion that Communism makes in politics—although there is no intention of calling them Communists.

I have always been opposed to any sort of persecution of this sect. They thrive upon it, and we Baptists believe in freedom of speech and freedom of religion. Let them circulate their literature, peddle their magazines and books. We can combat these teachings in the same way we combat all other error, by teaching the truth. I have often wished that one of our publishing houses could produce a literature setting forth the truth as cheaply as this system of error is distributed, and that our Baptist people were willing to circulate our literature as are these apostles of error.

F. V. McFATRIDGE

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ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 A STUDENT group from Clarke Memorial College presented two programs at First Church, Ackerman at Concord, Choctaw county. Members participating were: Dr. W. E. Greene, president of the College, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McGaugh, Ann McGaugh, Mrs. W. M. Daves, and Dot Courtney, accompanist. Rev. Samuel M. Brown is pastor at Ackerman and Rev. Hulane Harper at Concord.

AGAIN ALL FORMER RECORDS OF enrolment have been broken at Clarke Memorial College. Dean Troy Mohon announces that 457 have enrolled thus far in the 1950-51 session. At the present rate by the time summer school has ended 600 will have been enrolled.

## Southern Baptists And Social Security

By DR. WALTER R. ALEXANDER  
Executive Secretary

The Relief and Annuity Board

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, December 14, 1950, passed a resolution expressing its opinion that participation by groups, within our Southern Baptist life, in Federal Social Security as amended, did not seem to be in violation of the cherished principle of separation of Church and State.

That resolution also stated: "It is the opinion of the Executive Committee that participation in this plan on the part of our Baptist agencies and institutions makes its benefits available to all of their employees, particularly those in the lower income brackets not hitherto covered by retirement plans, without conflict or competition with our own Relief and Annuity Board plans of retirement."

"We respectfully urge all institutions and agencies that may participate in the Social Security Plan to continue their participation in the Relief and Annuity Board's retirement plans."

Recent correspondence indicates many of our Baptist people have misunderstood the intent of purport of this statement. It appears, also, that many have read into the statement far more than its originators said. Certainly, some of the articles recently appearing in denominational papers show the necessity of further clarification of the entire situation. In the interest, therefore, of a better understanding of all that is involved in this matter, the Executive Secretary of the Relief and Annuity Board is publishing in all the denominational papers a series of five short articles, this being the first. His one purpose is that of clarification: that quotations made may be accurate, interpretations correct, actions taken intelligently made, and such conclusions reached as will further the work of our Saviour.

## What The Executive Committee Did Not Say

Difficulties have arisen, and are increasing with each passing day, due not to the statement made by the Executive Committee in itself so much as they are due to a misreading and misinterpretation of the statement, with erroneous conclusions reached.

For instance, THE COMMITTEE DID NOT SAY that Social Security is more desirable than anything offered by our denominational Board. They did not deal in comparisons at all.

THE COMMITTEE DID NOT SAY they were commending Social Security to any and to all, particularly to local churches. They neither commended nor condemned.

THE COMMITTEE DID NOT EVEN IMPLY that churches should now look to the welfare of their workers as promptly as possible, urging that it be done through Federal Social Security. Their statement was not promotional in its purport or intent.

THE COMMITTEE DID NOT SAY they saw not unpleasant complications out in the future. They dealt only with the present in the statement they made.

THE COMMITTEE DID NOT SAY they saw no objectionable features to Social Security as it now stands. They were expressing no opinion as to the desirability of Social Security, or otherwise.

What The Executive Committee Did Say They said two things in their state-

## EDSOL WELLS ORDAINED AT SHUBUTA CHURCH



REV. EDSOL WELLS

Edsol C. Wells, son of Mr. and Mrs. U. C. Wells, was ordained Sunday January 28 at the Shubuta Church.

Edsol is a graduate of Shubuta High School, Clarke College and will this spring receive his B. A. degree from Mississippi College.

Elim Church, Clarke County, has called him to be their pastor and he has already begun this work.

The ordination sermon was delivered by Rev. A. P. Wells, grandfather of the candidate. The charge was given by Rev. N. A. Edmonds, former pastor, and the pastor, W. Harold Anderson presented the Bible.

## ment:

(1) Participation being on a voluntary basis now, rather than mandatory (as the Bill was originally drawn), it was their opinion such participation might be enjoyed by either an individual or a group within our denominational life, without violating our cherished principle of the separation of Church and State.

(2) They urged that, whenever an individual or a group should elect to participate in Social Security, such participation should be supplemental to participation in the plans of the Relief and Annuity Board, rather than as a substitute for such plans.

For the consideration given the Relief and Annuity Board in the Committee's statement, Paragraph (2), the Board is deeply grateful. There are most excellent reasons why such participation in the plans of the denominational Board should be continued . . . reasons that are advantageous, both to the individual and to the Board. Evidently, these were apparent to the Executive Committee, although not stated, and they will be dealt with by this writer in articles that are to follow.

What the Committee did say under Paragraph (1), many of our Baptist people approve. We recognize the fact that the situation presented now is a new one, calling for clear thinking, and that there are many differences of opinion and many shades of thought among us on this subject. Certainly, a large number of our denominational leaders have reached the conclusion stated in the resolution: namely, that participation does not violate principle of separation of Church and State. It must be borne in mind, however, that many others do not find themselves in accord with it. This matter also will be discussed in an early article.

One thing is very clear, that is, decisions with regard to participation in Federal Social Security should be made after a full study of the many issues involved.

## Illinois Baptists Elect New Chicago Missionary

CHICAGO, Ill.—(BP)—According to an announcement by Religious News Service, there are two million un-churched people in Chicago, 415 thousand of them under fourteen years of age and 391 thousand more between fourteen and nineteen years. Southern Baptists in Illinois are endeavoring to do something about this.

They have employed A. G. Rednour to serve as missionary in the area. He will live in a home purchased by a group of eleven Chicago Baptist churches. The effort is a part of the movement of the Illinois Baptist Association to organize congregations in all of the state's 355 towns and cities which have no Baptist church of any description. They hope to continue the growth that started in 1910 with 226 churches and that today has 600 churches, more than any other Baptist body in the state.

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EXTRA, A CITY EDITION (50c) BY Mrs. J. Perry Carter consists of six chapters, each one being a short story emphasizing the Urban Church. Published by the Home Mission Board, the book is written especially for juniors and will be interesting to them as they follow the characters of junior ages through the stories. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

February 4, 1951

Jackson, South Side	225	100
Jackson, Calvary	723	
Calvary Mission	11	
Jackson, Van Winkle	245	133
Jackson, Northside	313	92
Jackson, Crestwood	448	215
Laurel, Highland	93	48
South McComb	193	62
Greenville, Second	269	175
Bethlehem (Jones County)	91	104
Laurel, First	501	137
Moak's Creek (Lincoln County)	121	104
Fair River (Lincoln County)	79	64
Grenada, First	489	81
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	122	87
Newton	401	248
Lucedale	253	139
Crystal Springs	372	127
Calhoun City, First	146	
Brookhaven, First	746	414
Main School	588	293
Hamilton St. Chapel	69	53
Central Chapel	89	68
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	52	57
East Fork (Amite County)	85	55
East McComb	352	175
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	54	44
Greenwood (Pike County)	47	39
Clarksdale	484	
Hattiesburg, Main Street	766	279
Columbus, First	710	274
Pascagoula, First	716	369
Main School	529	247
Eastlawn Mission	51	33
Unity Mission	54	30
Orange Grove	60	59
McArthur Mission	10	
Jackson Ave. Mission	12	
Gulfport, First	663	243
West Laurel	356	110
Laurel, Second Avenue	392	113
Meridian, First	579	81
Meridian, Highland	434	157
Meridian, Poplar Springs	282	103
Poplar Springs Mission	28	21
Meridian, 41st Ave.	228	70
Meridian, Oakland Heights	150	79
Meridian, Key Field	98	45

January 28, 1951

Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	104	54
Union (Alcorn County)	44	57
Union Chapel (Chickasaw County)	52	45
McComb, Locust Street	44	
East Fork (Pike County)	84	48

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## --BAPTIST TRAINING UNION--

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi  
Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Alene Johnson

### STORIES FROM THE BIBLE BY STORY HOUR MEMBERS

How can we lead our children to appreciate the Bible, and develop in them a genuine interest in "THE BOOK OF BOOKS?" This can be done by teaching stories from the Bible to our boys and girls while they are very young. So in Training Union we have the Story Hour that the Bible may be taught these boys and girls. They enjoy telling stories after they learn them.

In the District Convention we will have stories by the Beginner Story Hour members and by the Primary Story Hour members.

Each Story Hour Leader will lead as many of her members as possible to learn Bible Stories. Then select the one who tells his story the best to represent the group in the Associational Meeting. Select only one child from the Beginner Department and only one from the Primary Department. If he wins first place there, he should go to the District Convention. The one judged the best, both in the Beginners and Primary Story Hour group, will be invited to tell his story at the State Convention. If your association does not have this contest, then your contestant will be eligible to tell his story at the District Convention anyway. At our State Convention, our Bible Story Telling will be featured as a demonstration given by first place winners from the District Contests.

The rules are as follows:

1. Each contestant will be allowed two minutes to tell his story.
  2. The entrant will be graded on:
    - a. Adherence to the real facts of the story
    - b. Realness of the story to the child
    - c. Distinctness of delivery
  3. Any Bible Story may be used, preferable the child's own selection.
  4. The child must be of Story Hour age, under nine.
- Our District Convention will be an afternoon and evening session. Ask your pastor or director for the time and place of the meeting in your district.

In December we organized 29 unions—Story Hour 5; Junior 6; Intermediate 7; Young People 5; Adult 6; 1,311 study course awards were issued, distributed among 33 associations. December is perhaps the "leanest" of all the months.

### Parkway Jackson 16 Year Old Intermediates Are Served Breakfast

Saturday night January 20th your secretary got a call from the director of the Parkway Jackson Church, inviting him to be guest at breakfast the next morning with the 16 year old union of their church. This union had made the best record for last quarters and were being honored by the church with a breakfast at the Heidelberg Hotel. Well I accepted the invitation and it was a great experience to be with this group of fine Intermediates. There were seventeen in the group. Mr. W. C. Eastland is the Leader, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Broadstreet, sponsors, and Mr. W. Earl Clark the Director. These young people will be better church members as a result of this attention.

Parkway Unions Plan Prayer Groups  
In Interest of Evangelistic  
Crusade  
In the Parkway, Jackson, Training

Union each group captain in Young People's and Adult Unions are being asked to arrange a prayer meeting for their group either in their home or some other home on Wednesday night March 14th. The Intermediate unions will each conduct a prayer meeting on this same evening. Thus Spiritual preparations are being made for the Evangelistic Crusade. This seems to be a splendid plan and we pass it on as worthy of use in every Training Union.

Contest materials can be had for the asking. Just drop us a card. This week we give here the information concerning the Bible Stories by Children.

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### Stewart Accepts Union Pastorate

Rev. J. B. Stewart has resigned the pastorate at Rocky Creek Church, George County to accept the pastorate of the Union Church, Walthall County, effective January 21.

He served two years and eight months at Rocky Creek. While there a new brick church building was completed, new pews purchased, the Sunday School departmentalized and chairs, pianos, and other equipment purchased for the educational building. A library was set up and the kitchen furnished and much other outstanding work was done.

Many nice gifts were presented to Rev. and Mrs. Stewart by their friends at Rocky Creek.

Union Church has been without a pastor for several months. Rev. W. R. Cooper of Jackson served as supply pastor. A new pastorium has been completed. They also have a new church building.

A most cordial reception was given Pastor and Mrs. Stewart and their three children at the church on Friday night, January 19. Following an interesting program, refreshments were served to all present. They are also being heartily received by the County. This is Union's first resident pastor.

Mr. Stewart received his B. S. degree from Mississippi Southern College, Hattiesburg, and his B. D. degree from the New Orleans Theological Seminary. Mrs. Stewart also has her B. S. degree from Mississippi Southern and two years work on an M. R. E. degree from New Orleans.

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### OSCAR J. KNOX

WHEREAS, on December 12, 1950, God in His infinite wisdom saw fit to release Brother Oscar J. Knox from worldly cares to his Heavenly Home.

AND WHEREAS, Bro. Knox was a faithful and valued Deacon of the First Baptist Church of Pontotoc for many years and could always be found at his post of duty, loyal to God, his church, and his fellowmen.

AND WHEREAS, our church has felt a keen loss in his passing.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family, one to the Pontotoc Progress, one to the Baptist Record, that one be printed in the church bulletin, and a copy be filed with the secretary of the Deacons.

Respectfully submitted  
DR. E. N. BIGHAM  
REUBEN S. PITTS, JR.  
HERSHELL O. GEORGE

## Isola Church Dedicates Building Debt-Free



### CORNETT ASSUMES DUTIES

Dr. R. Orin Cornett assumed his duties as Executive-Secretary of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention on February 1. His office will be in the Sunday School Board Building in Nashville.

Since the work of the Executive-Secretary will include the editorial management of *The Educator*, all manuscripts and news releases should be mailed to the new office.

The office of the Chairman of the Commission has served for twenty years as the clearing house for educational information, and the Chairman, Dr. C. D. Johnson, has served as editor of the monthly educational journal and other Christian education publications through these years. These functions will be transferred from the office at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, to the new location.

*The Educator* will be published in Nashville.

Dr. Cornett was born in Oklahoma. A graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, he holds the Master's degree and the Ph. D. from the University of Oklahoma.

Dr. Cornett comes to the new work from Oklahoma Baptist University, where he has been vice president, 1946-50.

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### MARY LEIGH HOLLAND

"For me to live is Christ." Surely these words describe the life of Mary Leigh Holland as she lived it in the Sunflower Baptist Church, the W. M. U. and in the Sunflower Community.

We cherish her cheerful Christian personality, the brightness she left behind in the lives she touched, young and old alike.

As we bow submissively to the will of God, her influence will continue to be felt in the life of our church and community.

Sunflower W. M. U.

Mrs. Lula H. Norris, President

On January 21, exactly one year after the first service was held in the new edifice of the Isola Church, the building was dedicated free of debt.

Special music at the dedication service was rendered by the choir and by Mrs. A. B. Evans and Mrs. Walker Sory; Miss Nan Harper was the pianist. Prof. A. E. McGahey led in the dedication of the choir in memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Mae Vanve, who organized the choir in 1944.

Rev. Kermit R. Cofer of Water Valley read the Scripture and Rev. E. D. Crenshaw, pastor, preached the dedicatory sermon.

Dinner was served in the basement of the church, with enough food left to supply the evening meal.

The 30x60 structure, which is the first to be erected since 1910, consists of a basement and main floor and provides seven Sunday School rooms, pastor's study, baptistry, library, space for kitchen and dining rooms, and recreational facilities.

The church began a full-time program at the beginning of this associational year. There have been 35 additions, 18 by baptism, during the past two years.

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### LILES GOES TO LOUISIANA

R. T. Liles, for the last two years pastor of the Freedom Church, Jones County Association, has accepted the pastorate of the Ethel (La.) Church.

During the two years at Freedom, there were 65 additions, 40 by baptism, a new \$15,000 building was erected with a present indebtedness of less than \$5,000.

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QUITE OFTEN THE BAPTIST RECORD receives cuts which have been run in other papers with the request that they be used in the Baptist Record. Sometimes these cuts fit and sometimes they do not. The column widths of various papers are not always the same. Anyone planning to send a cut to be used in the Record should measure the cut with a copy of the Baptist Record or send the photograph so that a cut of the proper size can be made.

## SAVINGS FUNDS EARN

Many churches as well as individuals, deposit their building funds here until required and thereby increase it at semi-annual periods by substantial dividends. We will welcome your inquiry.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate  
MRS. CECIL H. SMITH, Office Secretary



MISS MARY VIRGINIA LEE

Miss Mary Virginia Lee, superintendent of Intermediate work, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will direct the Intermediate conferences at the Mississippi Sunday School Convention, in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 13-14.

For many years Miss Lee has guided the Intermediate work of our Southland, and has done it with great ability. Under her leadership this work has grown from a small to a very large division of our work.

Our Mississippi Intermediate workers will surely want to be present at this Convention to get the many good things awaiting them in Miss Lee's conferences.

Mark this date **NOW** on your calendar and date book, and plan to attend. We have a great program awaiting you. You will like it.

### PLEASE KEEP IN MIND OUR CHANGE OF POLICY

We said it here last week, but we want to say it again, so that all may see it. Please take note of this change we are making.

We are not keeping any more in the state office the card file record of each individual's Sunday School study course credits.

This is kept in Nashville and we shall hereafter get it from there. This work took too much time from other matters that had to be done and that could not be done at Nashville.

You can get this information hereafter from this address: Office of Awards, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

### AS SPRINGFIELD DOES IT

Springfield Church, in Scott County, had Standard Sunday School for more than 20 consecutive years.

That is a record no other church in Mississippi can claim. It began back in 1928, we believe it was, and has not missed a year since.

Only recently the application came in for this year also, to add one more star to the already bright chain they have.

The pastor is Dr. E. I. Farr and the Sunday School superintendent is Mr. Fred A. Moore.

Our heartiest congratulations to all

the members of the Springfield Sunday School on this very distinct record! May many other good years see them doing the same good work, and even better.

### OUR STANDARDS ARE UP

Our number of Standard units for this year is far above that of last. We are certainly grateful to all who have taken time out to check their programs, and have then put special effort on the places that were short, and pulled them up.

Remember: Standard units are better.

The Standard will help you to raise the general efficiency of your work, and we should strive to improve the program. Just try checking your work against the Standard, and you will very probably find that you are short some where. Then, if you pull up to the Standard on that point, you have strengthened your program.

We want to do both: Reach all the people we can, and then to give them the very best we can after we get them coming. The Standard will help do this.

### FREE LITERATURE IS HERE

Yes, sir, the **FREE** packages of Vacation Bible school promotional literature for 1951 are here, and may be secured from the state Sunday School Department Office on request.

Now is the time to start planning for those Vacation Bible schools for this year. A good start is half the battle. So, get yours now.

### MRS. INA WALLER HILTON

WHEREAS, on Sunday afternoon December 17, the death angel called from us our beloved sister, Mrs. Ina Waller Hilton, who was a faithful member of Prentiss Church and the Lottie Moon Circle of the W.M.U.; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hilton was faithful to her church at all times and on all occasions. Where her Master led, she followed. It is difficult to express our thoughts of her many lovely characteristics. We speak her name lovingly, and cherish the memory of our association with her; and

WHEREAS, the W. M. U., and especially the Lottie Moon Circle for which she served as mission study leader for the past several years, and the Prentiss Church, have been greatly blessed by her influence:

### THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

First, that our W. M. U. has been blessed by the example and influence of so gentle and humble a Christian co-worker as Mrs. Hilton. Second, that her regular attendance to all church services will be an inspiration to all members. We are grateful for the beauty of her friendship, and her splendid virtues are worthy of emulation. Third, that we express sincere sympathy to her son and his wife, her aged mother, her sisters and brother, as we share with them in this their great loss.

### PRENTISS WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION:

By Committee: Mrs. R. E. Dale  
Mrs. R. E. Tyrone  
Mrs. Howard Hartzog  
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LOUISVILLE, KY., JAN. 29—CODEX Robertson, a 10th-century crusive Greek manuscript of the New Testament which has been kept in the vaults of Southern Seminary since it was acquired several years ago, is to be microfilmed for the Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis.

## FIRST, JACKSON, HAS GREAT YEAR

ESTABLISHES NEW CHURCH, CONTRIBUTES \$270,871

### GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

#### CRANFIELD LIKES THE SAMPLE

Cranfield Church in Adams County is a typical example of what will happen when a church has a chance to try the Baptist Record. Upon agreement between the pastor, Rev. Arthur H. Leslie, and the editor of the Baptist Record, the Baptist Record was sent to the members of the Cranfield Church for two months on trial.

The two months is not yet up, but the church has already voted to continue The Record and to put it in the budget of the church. Pastor Leslie writes: "The report that I have received from the families is very, very favorable to have The Record in the home. I believe it has helped our work even for the short time it has entered our homes. We appreciate the Promotional Plan, of which we have been a part."

Other pastors interested in this plan may write the editor of the Baptist Record.

Record readers in Union Association are now listed as follows: IMMANUEL, 25; NATCHEZ, FIRST, 449; NATCHEZ, WEST SIDE, 164; CRANFIELD, 23; WASHINGTON, 28; Springfield Chapel, 16; HERMANVILLE, 36; PORT GIBSON, 103; Shiloh, 16; BEECH GROVE, 23; BETHESDA, 25; ELMO, 22; FAYETTE, 66; Fellowship (Lorman), 4; Red Lick, 15; UNION CHURCH, 54; Unity, 16.

### UNION STARTS NEW YEAR RIGHT

"Union Church in Lincoln County has started out the new year right," writes Mrs. Walter Boyte, church reporter.

The church organized a Brotherhood, a Training Union and a W. M. U. Braxton Boyte was elected president of the Brotherhood; Mrs. Mary Jane Boyte, Training Union director, and Mrs. Ben Thames, president of the W.M.U.

Rev. W. A. Sullivan, who was recently called as pastor, sent a list of 29 names for the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Record readers in Lincoln County are now listed as follows: ARLINGTON, 25; BETHEL, 17; BIG SPRINGS, 29; BOGUE CHITTO, 49; BROOKHAVEN, 717; CLEAR BRANCH, 24; FAIR RIVER, 55; FRIENDSHIP, 55; GUM GROVE, 49; HEUCKS RETREAT, 54; HOLLY SPRINGS, 26; LITTLE BAHALA, 36; MACEDONIA, 131; MISSION HILL, 30; MONTGOMERY, 58; MOAK'S CREEK, 80; MT. MORIAH, 60; MT. PLEASANT, 57; MT. ZION, 46; NEW PROSPECT, 79; NEW SIGHT, 55; PEARL HAVEN, 127; PHILADELPHIA, 26; PLEASANT GROVE, 46; Pleasant Hill, 2; RUTH, 57; Topisaw, 1; UNION, 29; UNION HALL, 27; WELLMAN, 83.

First Church, Jackson, closed 1950 with a remarkable record, it was revealed this week in figures released by E. L. Herring, Business Manager. Four hundred new members were received into the church, one fourth of them by baptism; Sunday School enrolment increased over 5.7%; Training Union enrolment saw a gain of over 10%, with an average attendance of 453; and a grand total of 757 places of leadership service are filled by members of the congregation.

Perhaps the largest W. M. U. organization in the state is at First Church; the total enrolment of the 40 circles and auxiliaries on December 31 was 835, with an average attendance of 584. A total of 224 voices are enlisted in the church's four choirs; and, during the twelve-month period, a Men's Fellowship Club was organized with an initial attendance of 526.

One of the most significant achievements, an all-time record, was the contribution of more than a quarter of a million dollars to the church budget and other Kingdom channels. The records show a total contribution during the year of \$270,876.72, of which \$89,919.45 went to the Co-operative Program and other mission causes. The congregation's Building Enlargement Program, re-activated during the year, showed a cash balance of \$170,628.85.

In addition to its regular worship and educational activities, First Church established the Broadmoor Chapel as an arm of the church, and financed the purchase of building site and temporary structures totaling more than \$14,000. The salary of the Chapel pastor, Rev. Clayton Sullivan, is paid by the First Church.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, is completing his fifth year with First Church. Associated with Dr. Hudgins as members of the Church staff are: Clayton Sullivan, Broadmoor Chapel Pastor; E. L. Herring, Business Manager; Reid Moore, Director of Music and Recreation; Hazel Chisholm, Organist; Mrs. G. A. Carothers, Director of Missionary Education; Gladys Clemen, Educational Secretary; Mrs. W. W. Kelly, Jr., Financial Secretary; Mrs. Joe H. Barber, Jr., Church Secretary; Mrs. J. V. Buckels, Hostess; and Mrs. R. B. Stovall, Church Nursery Supervisor.

Earl T. Thomas is Chairman of the deacons; W. G. Watson is Superintendent of the Sunday School; Eugene McCordle is Director of the Training Union; Mrs. Wilburn Buckley is President of the W. M. U.; and W. C. Hester is President of the Men's Fellowship Club. Dr. W. A. Hewitt, for 28 years pastor of the congregation, and since 1946 pastor emeritus, continues to serve devotedly in that capacity.

The State Convention always meets with First Church, and many of our other conventions and conferences are held there from time to time. Long a leader and pace-setter in our Mississippi Baptist work, First Church, Jackson, continues to do great things.

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## BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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## POTPOURRI

Remember to pray for State Retreat from BSU Officers, meeting at Co-Lin Jr., April 20-21. . . State BSU Council's next meeting, Sat., Feb. 17th. . . College pastors, plan to attend the Student Retreat at Ridgecrest, June 6-13. Also, high school seniors plan to do same. . . Christians who want reliable info on world events subscribe to *Between the Lines*. Write us if interested. . . Please send names and addresses of men and women in the armed services, others who will read the *Miscellany*. It's free. We hope it blesses each of its readers. . . If I had the money, I would prayerfully consider paying the salary of a Student Secretary in some Miss. college center. . . First Baptist Church, Charleston, S. C., has a "My Purpose Holds Club," composed of volunteers to full-time Christian work, which meets once a month for study, testimonies of experiences and recreation. The first study was on the plan of salvation and the technique of handling problems raised in personal soul-winning. Other subjects studied include principles of Biblical interpretation, the meaning of a call to service, practical problems of young people, world needs and individual aptitudes. This is an idea worthy of copying, we

believe. . . Southwest Jr. has lost four Council members to the wars. . . Student Secretaries, some suggestions for our Seminar at Clarke have come in, but we need others. . . Was blessed by recently being in Council, interdenominational Fellowship and in local church of Pearl River Jr.; in group of students and in local church of Perkinson Jr.; on campus of Miss. Southern for brief visit. . . Revival will come when we, God's people, really get right with Him and really want the Revival. This week many churches have had the study course on J. N. Barnette's book, *The Place of the Sunday School in Evangelism*, in preparation for the Crusade Mar. 25-April 8. . . Student Secretaries are needed in Jackson, Raymond, Wesson, Scooba, Senatobia and in other Miss. college centers. We're thankful that Holmes Jr., Goodman, has our newest Secretary, Miss Edna Earle Nation, former Youth Director for Calvary Church, Jackson, who began her work the last of last month. Our prayer is that she and the students and local pastor, Bro. R. E. Robbins, will accomplish great things for Christ. Miss Nation brings to sixteen the number of local Student Secretaries in Miss. We thank the Lord for every one and pray for more.

## 50, 40 &amp; 25 Years Ago

50, 40 and 25 Years Ago  
By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

50 Years Ago  
Pastor A. L. O'Brian of Florence tells of their gracious welcome on the new field, and that the B. Y. P. U. has been re-organized with forty members and a collection taken for the President's Home of Mississippi College.

President W. T. Lowery of Mississippi College announces 284 enrolled which "is 25 more than were ever enrolled in one session before."

Dr. John L. Johnson, Sr., becomes president of Hillman College.

## 40 Years Ago

The Sunday School lessons will be discussed for this year by Margaret McKee Lackey, and she urges that they be "Studied with Open Bible."

Pastor I. P. Trotter of First Church, Hattiesburg, tells of the Bible institute in which his church with 46 ministers in attendance. Seven hours each day is given to study of Galatians and Philippians, taught by Dr. R. A. Venable and Baptist History taught by Dr. J. T. Christian.

## 25 Years Ago

Student Francis Judson Chastain is finishing his course in the Seminary at Louisville. After graduation at M. C., he taught three years in Gulf Coast Military Academy and in the Navy as Chaplain during World War I.

B. Y. P. U. Secretary Auber J. Wilds has set 8,000 as the goal for awards in study courses for the year.

Pastor W. L. Meadows of Harpersville reports the church having completed their new pastor's home.

Student J. H. Gunn, reporter for the Mississippi Group at the Louisville Seminary tells of a debate on the subject, "Resolved, That rural communities of the South present a greater challenge than Foreign Fields." Affirmative—L. B. Golden and H. C. Price; Negative—C. N. Travis and C. L. Breland. Judges—J. S. Riser, Jr., W. S. Smith and I. E. Rouse. Decision—Favor of negative.

## Ernie Myers Accepts Sunflower Church



REV. ERNEST B. MYERS

Rev. Ernest B. Myers has accepted the pastorate of Sunflower Church, Sunflower. He succeeds Rev. W. L. Marsh. Mr. Myers is former pastor of Old Byram Church, Hinds County.

While a student at Mississippi College, he was actively engaged in Youth Revival work. He also sponsored and directed "Youth Crusade for Christ," a youth program in Jackson over WRBC and a special network of stations over the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Myers moved on the field Feb. 1. Mrs. Myers is the former June McKay, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles L. McKay of the First Baptist Church, Pascagoula.

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**THE BAPTIST RECORD ACKNOWLEDGES** with thanks receipt of a wall sized calendar issued by the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, Dr. Andrew Potter, Executive Secretary-Treasurer. Each event of the year is listed under its proper date and Baptists can see at a glance what is going to happen, where and when.

## BMC OPERETTA TO MAKE TOUR

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Jan. 22—Rudolph Friml's "The Firefly" is the operetta the Blue Mountain College voice department will present this year. The premiere performance will be given February 23 in the Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium after which the cast and chorus will tour playing at:

Baldwyn, February 26; Jones County Junior College, Ellisville, March 1; Newton, February 28; Macon, February 27; Grenada, March 2; Mississippi State College, March 6.

John G. Detroy of the music faculty will be the musical director and conductor and Miss Jean Lowrey, head of the speech department, will be the dramatic coach. Philip N. Kellogg of the art department will have charge of the stage acts and design.

The cast includes the following girls: Mary Jo Boston, Union City, Tenn., "Nina;" Estelle Kidd, Memphis, Tenn., "Geraldine;" Ora Sue Hollis, Chalhybeate, "Jack Travers;" Mertice Baker Ringer, Slanton, Ala., "Thurston;" Barbara Birt, Greenwood, "Franz;" Jean Lipsey, Memphis, Tenn., "Sybil;" Sue Tomlinson, Walnut, "Jenkins;" Darlene Brown, Indian Head, Md., "Suzette;" Mary D. Wilds, Oxford, "Pietro;" Doris Davis, Tupelo, "Mrs. Oglesby Van Dare."

The chorus is made up of the following girls: Charlie Jennings, Greenwood; Evelyn Cruse, New Albany; Bobbye Ann Channell, Gallman; Creely Myatt, Houston; Mary Martha McCalin, Quincy, Fla.; Mary Rose Leeks, Union; Mary Janice Morris, Macon; Eloise Ellis, West Point; Jeanette Collier, Kewanee; Doris Mahanes, Hilton Village, Va.; Edna Jean Reynolds, Starkville; Peggy Stacy, Tupelo; Loleta LeCates, Colmar Manor, Md.; Betty Hicks, Sledge; Ann Ellis, Clarksdale; Becky Lyon, Cleveland; Billie Gwin, Lexa, Ark.; Marie Myers, Maryville, Tenn.; Alice Donnell, Blue Mountain; Frances Boswell, Macon; Peggy Workman, Woodruff, S. C.; Jane Anderson, Booneville; Helen Henderson, Saltillo; Miriam Stacy, Tupelo; Johnnie Armstrong, Nashville, Tenn.; Nancy Jo Wallis, Harrisburg, Ill.

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## 15TH AVENUE CHURCH REPORTS 1,400 MEMBERS

Under the leadership of Dr. Paul G. Horner, who resigned as pastor effective February 1, Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian, made progress in every department.

During his five and one-half years pastorate the membership grew from 1,200 to over 1,400 and the Sunday School attendance grew to an average attendance of 530 for 1950.

Total contributions were \$215,593, with \$63,948 going to the Cooperative Program and other outside causes. There have been a total of 584 additions. In 1947 a \$17,000 Kilgen organ was installed.

## Pickering Accepts Ridgecrest Post



GEORGE W. PICKERING

George W. Pickering, of New Orleans who will graduate at Mississippi College this term, has been appointed Director of Camp Ridgecrest for Boys, Ridgecrest, North Carolina. Mr. Pickering will begin his work at Ridgecrest immediately.

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## CALENDAR OF PRAYER

February 12—Association-Wide W. M. U. Rallies; Simultaneous Sunday School Campaign, Bolivar Association.

February 13—Miss Myrtle Cawood, Blue Mountain College faculty; H. B. Duckworth, Gulf Coast Associational Brotherhood president.

February 14—Mrs. R. E. Owen, DeSoto Associational W. M. U. superintendent; J. L. Jenkins, Sunflower Associational BTU director.

February 15—Miss Grace Niehuis, director of Nurse Education, Baptist Hospital; Mrs. India Huffman, dietitian, Baptist Orphanage.

February 16—Dr. E. I. Farr, Clarke College faculty; Mrs. B. L. Diddy, Bookkeeping Department, Baptist Building.

February 17—Hugh D. Cooper, Woman's College faculty; Malcolm Webb, Bolivar Associational Sunday School superintendent.

February 18—Mrs. Sam Cochran, secretary, Mississippi College.

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## Sparks & Splinters

WHEN REV. R. G. WOOTEN, PASTOR of Jupiter Church, Simpson County, recently moved into his new home in Clinton, the Jupiter Church presented him with a gas range and two platform rockers. Several of the members gave other household articles.

ANOTHER CORRECTION: IN AN article on page one in last week's issue concerning Negro education, a sentence in paragraph three should have read, "He cited as the reason for its wide appeal the fact that the school offered a Th.B. degree . . ." The article erroneously used the term Ph.D.

AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE Baptist Building were: Rev. J. R. Davis, New Albany; Carroll Gartin, Harry Smallwood, Laurel; John R. Eubanks, Columbia; Ray Griffin, Jackson; Rev. John L. Gilbert, Laurel; Rev. C. B. Hamlet, Winona; Rev. Melvin T. Wilson, Liberty; Rev. R. R. Brigance, Gloster; Rev. C. E. Patch, Baldwin; Rev. John M. Evans, Tylertown; W. C. Russell, Monticello; Rachel Andrews, Doris O'Neal, Jackson.

THE FIRST CHURCH, COLUMBIA, recently voted to purchase a lot in South Columbia for the purpose of expanding the facilities of the South Columbia mission. The church also voted to give \$1,000 to the Woman's College endowment.

THE BAPTIST RECORD GREATLY appreciates a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from the Eden Church. The list was sent by Josephine Hollowell.

REV. CARVELIA JOHNSTON, A NATIVE of Mississippi, now of Vienna, Louisiana, will be available as an evangelist for simultaneous revivals, March 25-April 8.

AN EXPERIENCED YOUNG LADY desires position as Educational Secretary of a Baptist Church. If interested please notify the Baptist Record Office.

ROLLING FORK CHURCH HAD AN average attendance of 152 during the study course the last week of January. The Junior and Intermediates studied their manuals, and the adults studied "The Bible and Prayer." Rev. D. D. Satterwhite is the pastor.

CHANGES IN MISSION WORK IN China highlighted the Christian movement outside of the United States in 1950. Christian groups were ordered to take over property held by foreign mission agencies, and agreed to discontinue accepting any funds for these agencies just as soon as possible. Christian schools were geared to the new Communist teaching. Next steps were still awaited.

GOD'S BEST SECRETS (\$2.50) IS THE title of a book of daily devotional meditations prepared by Andrew Murray and reprinted by special arrangement with Biola Book Room, Los Angeles, Calif. The book contains a page for each day, beginning January 1, and covers every phase of a Christian life. Order from the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan or from the Baptist Book Store.

PORTLAND, ORE. —(BP)— THREE hundred people attended a two-day evangelistic conference held January 11-12 in the First Southern Baptist Church here. They came from all areas of Washington and Oregon to plan for a bi-state simultaneous revival to be held September 9-19. Rev. Bob Hite, superintendent of evangelism for the area, announced that Dr. Robert G. Lee will be the principal speaker in the pre-revival rally to be held August 14-15.

WHISPER OUT OF THE DUST (50c) by Phyllis Sapp is written for young people and Intermediates, but will be of interest to others as well. The narrative creates a strong interest in the service rendered by city churches, as it is one of the series published by the Home Mission Board on this subject. Order from the Baptist Book Store.



Shown above is the attractive sign in front of the Port Gibson Church. It is placed directly in front of the church and on the highway so that all who will may know where to worship.

HOUSTON, TEX. —(BP)— THE WMU of First Baptist Church, Houston, raised more than \$15,500 for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering and cooperated with the church in a missionary conference that brought before the congregation eight missionaries and three other mission leaders. The program was built around the WMU week of prayer and embraced eight days, December 3-10. Mrs. J. J. Tinsley is president of the WMU and Dr. Boyd Hunt the pastor.

NASHVILLE, TENN. —(BP)— THE Baptist Sunday School Board published nearly 55 million pieces of literature in 1950, according to a report from Noble Van Ness, production manager of the Board. Included were 43,668,750 periodicals, 8,405,000 tracts, 498,670 new books, 1,808,919 reprints of old books and 603,418 record books, giving a grand total of 54,984,757.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—(BP)—DR. ROY Beaman, associate professor Biblical introduction at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, will lead a study group in a two-month's tour of Bible lands during May and June. The group will travel by air from New York, and while overseas will use three station wagons that are being shipped over for land travel.

THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a copy of the minutes of the Simpson County Association which met at Poplar Springs. The next session will be held at Pinola. The statistics are given on several charts in the back which unfold and are spaciouly given on double pages. The minutes are well-prepared and well-printed. Rev. J. B. Smith is the moderator and H. W. Mangum is the clerk.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the minutes of the Jefferson Davis Associational which met at Hepzibah Church. The 1951 meeting will be at Hebron and Rev. Alvin R. Smith will be the preacher. The minutes are well-prepared and well-printed. Joe Dale is the moderator and Mrs. Fern Hartzog is the clerk.

"SOME VETERAN BREWERS ASSERT that beer consumption during the war has received greater promotional impetus than it would have received in twenty normal years. This they attribute to the fact that 10,000,000 soldiers in army camps have become accustomed to beer and that a large proportion of them will continue to be consumers in civilian life."—Mr. Edward Kandlik in CHICAGO SUN, October 28, 1945.

THE CONCORDIA PUBLISHING House, St. Louis, Missouri, has recently published a very helpful pamphlet entitled "Mistaken Beliefs." The price is ten cents per copy. Some of the mistaken beliefs discussed are: that the Bible is out-of-date; that faith in any God saves; that some men are elected unto damnation; that salvation is by works; that all churches are the same. The author is William G. Kennell.

## -- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y.—Miss Edwina Robinson  
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor

### GLIMPSES OF GARAYWA

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All young people (as well as those who LEAD and KNOW young people) will want the latest news about the MISSIONARY CAMPING PROGRAM offered at CAMP GARAYWA, Clinton, Mississippi. For such news, watch this column each week. We plan to explain in detail the various phases of camp life, introducing to you some of the people who direct camp and participate in the program. Why not file these articles for reference?

This week we are listing the camp dates, prices, and entrance requirements.

#### CAMP DATES 1951

##### Girls' Auxiliary Camps

May 21-26—All-state Junior G. A. (any whose school is out)  
May 28-June 2—All-state Int. G. A. (any whose school is out)  
August 6-11—All-state Int. G. A. (all who couldn't come first week)  
August 13-18—Junior G. A. (Districts 1, 7)  
August 20-25—Junior G. A. (Districts 5, 6, 8)  
August 27-September 1—Junior G. A. (Districts 2, 3, 4)

##### ROYAL AMBASSADOR CAMPS

June 4-9—Junior R. A. (Districts 2, 3, 4)  
June 11-16—Int. R. A. (All-state)  
June 18-23—Junior R. A. (Districts 1, 7)  
June 25-30—Junior R. A. (Districts 5, 6, 8)

##### YOUNG WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CAMP

August 1-5—All-state

##### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY CAMP

July 30-August 1—All-state

#### COST OF CAMP

Junior G. A. and R. A. camps—\$10.00 (Mission Study book included). All camps begin with registration at 2:30 Monday afternoon and close after breakfast Saturday. Campers are ready to leave by 8:00 a. m.

Y. W. A. camp—\$12.50 (Mission Study book included) Camp begins with registration at 4:00 Wednesday and closes after lunch Sunday.

W. M. S. camp—\$7.50 for three days. (Watch camp materials for quotations by the day) Camp begins with registration at 10:30 a. m. Monday and closes with an afternoon session on Wednesday.

#### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

G. A.'s (Juniors and Intermediates):

1. A girl must be at least a Maiden in Forward Steps in order to come to camp. (If questions arise about new members, etc., write W. M. U. Office, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.)
2. If a girl has been to camp, she must pass an additional Step before returning. Queens and above are not required to pass an additional Step before returning, but they are urged to do so.

R. A.'s (Juniors and Intermediates):

1. Any boy who is interested in missions may come to camp one year. Before returning, however, he must meet the second requirement.
2. If a boy has been to camp, he must pass at least one Rank in R. A. before returning. Ambassadors and above are not required to pass an additional Rank before returning, but they are urged to do so.

(ATTENTION ALL G. A. and R. A. COUNSELORS: Please check NOW with your Boys and girls about their Rank or Step. Don't let the time slip away without their being prepared to attend camp. Don't let your negligence cause them to miss camp!)

There are no requirements for attending Y. W. A. or W. M. S. camp, but an interest in missions is basic to a full enjoyment of the program.

THROUGH THE BAPTIST RECORD, READ OF CAMPS 'TIL MAY;

WHEN THAT MONTH ARRIVES, BEGIN COMING TO GARAYWA!!

(Camp information to be continued each week in this column)

LOUISVILLE, KY., JAN. 29—RURAL pastors and missionaries from ten state of the Southern Baptist Convention will be invited to attend a Rural Life Leadership conference here at Southern Seminary May 14-17. The conference will be sponsored jointly by the Home Mission Board and Southern Seminary and will feature Bible study, preaching, and addresses and forums on rural life and rural church problems. Rooms will be provided by the Seminary and meals will be available in the Seminary cafeteria.

BALTIMORE, MD.—(RNS)—DR. THEODORE C. Braun, of St. Louis, Mo., was elected editor of The Messenger, official organ of the Evangelistic and Reformed Church, at the annual meeting here of the denomination's General Council. Dr. Braun succeeds Dr. David D. Baker, former president of the Associated Church Press, who was editor of The Messenger from 1942 until his death in July, 1950. Dr. Braun has been assistant editor and circulation manager of the publication since 1943, and became its acting editor following Dr. Baker's death.



M. Theron Rankin  
Executive Secretary

## FOREIGN MISSION ADVANCE

Genevieve Greer  
Editorial Assistant

### December Receipts Already at Work

The Foreign Mission Board in its January meeting began the channeling of the \$675,000 received from the Cooperative Program in December. The money represents Southern Baptist giving to the advance of foreign missions and was the amount over the Convention's 1950 basic budget of \$6,675,000 which was reached late in November. It is in addition to the Board's \$2,350,000 share in the basic budget.

"This money will make possible the appointment of 100 new missionaries in 1951," commented Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Board. "The appointment of these young people now preparing themselves for the foreign mission field would not have been possible except for this over and above gift."

The money will also enable the Board to meet large needs for capital expenditure which could not be included in its regular budget.

The \$675,000 will be distributed as follows:

\$275,000 will underwrite the appointment of 100 new missionaries in 1951.

\$150,000 will be applied on buildings and equipment for the international Baptist seminary in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

\$125,000 will purchase additional land and buildings for the international Baptist seminary in Zurich, Switzerland.

\$75,000 will go toward completion of the Baptist Hospital in Barranquilla, Columbia.

\$25,000 will be applied on the construction of a building for the College Baptist Church, Recife, North Brazil.

\$25,000 will construct residences on the hospital compound in Transjordan.

seminary in Buenos Aires will serve both men and women from five nations. Money from the December gift will partially pay for an administration building and two dormitories. The Baptist Theological Seminary in Zurich serves the continent of Europe. The Baptist Hospital in Barranquilla is the first hospital in Columbia and the only Baptist hospital north of Paraguay. Recife, Brazil, is a city of about 40 Baptist churches, but not one with a really adequate building. The College Baptist Church will not only serve the 1,000 students of the Baptist academy, but also the elementary and high school students of the mission compound. The hospital in Transjordan is in Ajloun, near Amman, the capital. It was an outright gift from a group of Anglicans who had become impressed with the approach of Southern Baptists in the support of their institutions.

### Dr. Wallace Still in Custody

Dr. Cauthen reports that a letter from Miss Everley Hayes, nurse at the Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow, where Dr. W. L. Wallace, staff physician, was arrested in December, says:

"I do not feel I can make any decisions until I can consult with Bill which doesn't seem to be likely soon, probably a matter of weeks. In the meanwhile we need your prayers that we may have wisdom in all our dealings. I have no regrets for being here at this time. I am sure God will work out His

will in all things. We have His promise that He is with us always."

### "CHRIST Is in China to Stay"

The Communist government has ordered that all foreign property be put under control of the government. Dr. Baker James Cauthen, secretary for the Orient, reported to the January meeting of the Board:

"The Peking order bringing American property under government control states that all American property must be registered with the control bureau, titles of the same cannot be transferred, and the educational, medical, or other activities being projected in the property must be continued. This seems to indicate that schools, hospitals, and other organizations using property owned by missions will not be forced to vacate the premises.

"We bear in mind, however, that whenever the new regime wishes to demand the use of such property they have effective means of getting control as is evidenced by the fact that our entire compound at Kaifeng has been taken over for the use of a government aviation school, and the Baptist high schools and Bible school have had to do the best they could with makeshift arrangements.

"It is encouraging to know that amid the problems of present day China, Christian work is continuing. The China Baptist Seminary in Shanghai has seventy students and is conducting its work without interference. In the five seminaries and Bible schools conducted by Chinese Baptist there are more than 250 young people preparing for Christian leadership. It is most encouraging that young people continue to respond to the call of God to Christian responsibilities in the face of mounting dangers.

"The University of Shanghai is carrying on its work with 1300 students. Reports indicate internal conditions are better than a few months ago. The influence of the Christian group on the campus seems to be stronger.

"Churches continue to report good attendance, professions of faith and baptisms. The North Gate Church in Shanghai is proceeding with the construction of a church building, using funds raised in China. The convention organizations are bravely carrying on their work. Only recently was a meeting of the China Baptist Convention Executive Committee held in Shanghai with representatives from all parts of our work. The main objective of this meeting was to plan means whereby Chinese Baptists work can prepare itself to carry on even if the time comes when no aid can come from the Foreign Mission Board.

One of the leaders from North China reported a visit he had just made to Manchuria where before the war with Japan there were 27 churches. Not one dollar of aid has reached those churches since 1941. They have endured all the bitter experience of Japanese, Russian, and Chinese communist control. Yet, after these hard years, they are still carrying on.

"Christ is in China to stay regardless of what Communists may do."

### Four January Appointees

The Board appointed four missionaries at its January meeting. They are Dr. and Mrs. John Curthbert Abell, for Africa, and Mr. and Mrs. John Nathaniel

## BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

JO ANN SUMMERS, Office Secretary

### CONDUCT ASSOCIATIONAL RALLIES

"Then Jerubbaal, who is Gideon, and all the people that were with him, rose up early, and pitched beside the well of Harod." (Judges 7:1). Here a rally took place as the men were informed of the plan of battle and made ready to win a victory for God.

We are asking that an associational-wide men's rally be held in each associational in Mississippi before March 25, 1951, in preparation for the Crusade. We suggest March 5th. These rallies are to be sponsored by the Associational Brotherhood organization, if there is one. If there is not one, then the General Chairman of the Steering Committee and chairman of Special Rallies will be responsible. These meetings, of course, are to be planned after the order of regular Brotherhood meetings. They should be held in the evening. A dinner or barbecue should be served. Thorough information concerning the crusade should be given. Recognition of churches represented should be made. The part

the laymen are to do in the crusade should be outlined in detail.

The best speaker possible should be obtained for the occasion, and evangelism should be the subject of his message. The attendance objective of each church for these rallies should be five per cent of the church membership. For instance, a church of one hundred members should have five men as a minimum attendance, and a church of 5,000 should have 250 present, etc. Information concerning the church enrollments may be found in associational minutes.

If those responsible have not planned for the rally in your associational, it is getting late. The General Chairman of the Crusade should immediately call a meeting of the Associational Brotherhood Officers, the County Missionary, and the Chairman of Special Rallies and make definite plans for this rally. The Brotherhood Secretary should be informed as to where the meeting will be, date, and the principal speaker. In the name of Christ let's not fail Him at a time like this.



Shown above is the sign indicating the location of the White Oak Church, Smith County.

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### Conway Resigns At Bethel

Rev. L. G. Conway has resigned the pastorate of the Bethel Church, Mississippi Association, and has accepted the pastorate of Hillsdale Church in Amite City, Louisiana.

Mr. Conway had served Bethel Church for a year and much progress was noted by the church during his ministry. His resignation was effective February 4.

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**EIGHT CATHOLIC CARPENTERS** have been excommunicated by their church for assisting in the construction of a Baptist church building in Costa Rica. (Editor's Note: What a brotherly Church.

Thomas, for Latin America.

Dr. Abell, a graduate of Baylor University College of Medicine, Houston, Texas, has practiced medicine part-time since 1948, served as part-time employee in the medical department of the Veterans Administration since 1949, and at the same time has secured 39 hours of theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, he a native of Liverpool, England, and she of Winnipeg, Canada, have served as missionaries to Columbia, South America, since 1935 and have been connected with the Southern Baptist Mission since 1946.

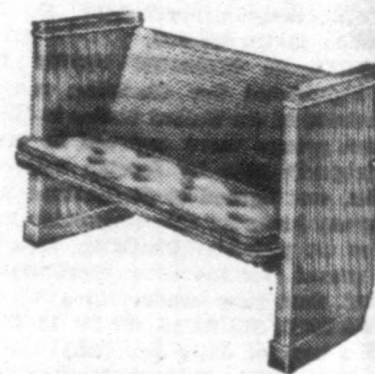
### Eden Church Redecorated, Cash To Lead Revival

Eden Church has recently redecorated its Sunday School rooms. The auditorium is soon to be painted and redecorated.

Having reached an attendance of 50 in Sunday School, a goal of 100 has been set.

Dr. D. D. Cash, of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary, Jackson, will help Pastor F. V. Hill in the revival during the Evangelistic Crusade, March 25 April 6.

Rev. J. N. Brister, pastor of Calvary Church, Yazoo City, conducted a three night meeting, January 24-26. This was a high-light week in Eden and the church received great blessings from these meetings.



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## Sunday School Lesson

### JESUS MEETS HUMAN NEED

By DR. HIGHT C. MOORE

In the spring of A. D. 29, Jesus, wearied by arduous labor, agitated by the death of the Baptist, and desirous of instructing the disciples alone, sailed from Capernaum across the Sea of Galilee to an uninhabited spot on the north-eastern shore. But crowds followed him around the northern end of the sea, met him when he landed, and remained with him until late in the day when the five thousand were miraculously fed (Mark 6:7 to 7:23). The only miracle recorded in all four Gospels, this was "a nature miracle which only God can work" (Robertson).

#### I. His Omniscience

The Omniscient Christ met intellectual and spiritual need. Note here: Interest in Christ; inadequacy without Christ; instruction from Christ. Instruction, which in this instance Jesus designed for his disciples alone, was widened to include the eager multitude who had walked and run miles to see and hear him. When on landing he saw the crowds, he was deeply moved, his heart yearned over them as shepherdless sheep and at once he began to teach them many things about "the kingdom of God" (Luke). The people heard his word before they witnessed his work. They felt his love before they saw his power.

#### II. His Omnipotence

The omnipotence Christ met physical and social need. Note: The solicitude of the disciples; the command of the Saviour; the scarcity of supplies; the sufficiency in saving; and the satisfaction for all. The thousands in the throng were now hungry. The need grew out of the loneliness of the place, the lateness of the day, and the faintness of the people.

The disciples asked Jesus to send the crowd to neighboring farms and villages for food. In reply he demanded that the people be fed first, and he asked Philip, a native of the neighborhood, where food could be found. Philip in amazement answered that hardly a taste for each one in the thousands of the throng could be secured with 200 denarii (a Roman denarius being the usual compensation for a day's labor in the field.) The disparity between need and supply was accentuated by the discovery that the only food available was a lad's lunch, consisting of five barley loaves, hardly larger than our buckwheat cakes and two small fishes (possibly the size of sardines).

But after group and seating the people on the grass so they could be served easily, Jesus took the scanty stock of food, offered thanks, then broke it into multiplying pieces, and distributed through the disciples to all as much as they wanted. When everybody had eaten to the full, the disciples at the word of Jesus took up twelve baskets full of pieces into which Jesus and the disciples had broken the food. The surplus at the last was far greater than the supply at first. Yet five thousand men (besides women and children who evidently were not so numerous) had eaten a hearty meal.

#### THE LESSON OF THE LESSON

How Jesus Meets Human Need

1. Human Need. "Jesus, when he came out, saw much people."
2. Spiritual Need. "They were as sheep not having a shepherd."
3. Intellectual Need. "He began to teach them many things."
4. Physical Need. "They have nothing to eat."
5. Compassion. "He was moved with compassion toward them."
6. Concern. "His disciples... said... Send them away."

## R. P. Butler Begins La. Pastorate



REV. R. P. BUTLER

Rev. R. P. Butler has resigned the pastorate of the Wiggins Church and began the pastorate of the Winbourne Avenue Church Winnebago, Louisiana, on January 1. He succeeds Rev. Percy Cooper, who resigned in order to accept the pastorate of Alta Woods Church, Jackson.

During Pastor Butler's first year at Wiggins, the recreational and educational building was completed. Also during his pastorate a pastorium was constructed, duplicating the one of the First Church, Forest. Tables and chairs were purchased for the old and new buildings, a drive was laid around the church, pianos were reworked, three new pianos purchased, five window fans installed and a 16mm movie projector purchased.

The Winbourne Avenue Church has adopted a budget for 1951 of \$23,582. The church roll is 507, of whom 28 have been added since Pastor Butler arrived. The Sunday School enrolment exceeds the church enrolment, with 604 in Sunday School.

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## Suggestions Needed

By H. H. HOBBS

"As we turn our thoughts toward the coming sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco the hearts of the Brethren will be centered more and more on the sessions of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference.

"Dr. M. E. Dodd, co-chairman with the writer, of the Pastors' Conference, has requested that I assume all responsibility for the program this year. Therefore, I am requesting the brethren everywhere to send their suggestions as to a program theme as to personalities who might be included on this program.

"Your early response will be appreciated, as I want to complete the program at the earliest possible date.

"Please address all suggestions to the writer in care of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Pray for me as I assume this responsibility.

Announcements will be made at the proper time as to the overall program and place of meeting in San Francisco."

7. Command. "He said unto them, Give ye them to eat."
8. Co-operation. "They sat down in ranks... He looked up to heaven, and blessed, and brake the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before them."
9. Sufficiency. "They did all eat and were filled... about five thousand men."
10. Surplus. "They took up twelve baskets full of the fragments."

## MUSIC DEPARTMENT

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

### BALDWIN ENSEMBLE SPEAKS

A thrilling story has come to the Music Department about the girls ensemble from Baldwin. This group participated in the State Music Festival in Columbus on December 28 and made a superior rating. The interest developed in this ensemble as a result of this participation is magnificent. The state music director recently made a visit to the First Church at Baldwin and had a conference with the members of the ensemble. Some of the interesting facts about the work of this group follows:

One member of the group stated that the trip to Columbus was enjoyed very much. Another stated that the State Music Festival has given the group incentive to work harder. They also feel that they are a part of a great movement. The inspiration gained as a result of this participation has paid dividends in their own church. The group feels that a special blessing has been received by the special effort. One girl stated that she believed God would honor any choir that would spend extra time in rehearsals in order to make the singing better. One member stated that a new interest had been developed in the rehearsals. Sometimes they have a social in connection with the rehearsal. They are now being asked to sing in other areas of the state. The group is planning a trip to Jackson in order to sing at the State Evangelistic Conference. The leader of the ensemble, Mrs. W. C. Sansom, states that a spiritual re-

vival has taken place in the hearts and lives of the girls in the ensemble.

It is the desire of the State Department of Music that such a testimony will be duplicated in all of the lives of the young people who participate in our great festival program. It is also desired that the work accomplished in the festivals will extend into the local churches as has been the case of the Baldwin ensemble. May the Lord continue to bless them in a great way.

### WAYNE COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVAL

Last Sunday the Wayne County Music Association held its regular Sunday afternoon hymn sing at the First Church, Waynesboro. The state music director attended this meeting and witnessed a magnificent demonstration of interest in music in Wayne county. James Harrell, pastor of the Evergreen Church, presided. There were several numbers presented by special groups including a solo from Buckatunna, a trio from Calvary Church, Waynesboro, and a Youth Choir from First Church, Waynesboro. The song directors lead in congregational singing.

The music association in Wayne county was started in May 1950. Regular meetings are being held every two months and it is a delight to see the interest. More power to the Wayne County Music Association.

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DR. CLARENCE JORDAN OF Americus, Georgia, will lead the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade at First Church, Vicksburg, according to an announcement by the pastor, Dr. D. Swan Harworth.



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## Truman Appoints Baptist As Point Four Administrator

WASHINGTON, D. C. —(BP)— Dr. Henry G. Bennett, president, Oklahoma A. and M. and member of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee has been appointed by President Harry Truman to direct the point four program of aid to under-developed areas of the world.

Bennett will be administrator of the Technical Co-operation Administration in the department of state. That agency handles point four and certain other programs, including inter-American affairs.

The White House announced the appointment shortly after Bennett had visited with Mr. Truman.

As point four head, Bennett will succeed Capus M. Waynick, ambassador to Nicaragua, who has been acting administrator since May.

Bennett, the son of a pioneer Baptist minister, is a graduate of Ouachita College, an Arkansas Baptist school. He taught public school in Oklahoma prior to his association with Southeastern State Teacher's College at Durant in 1919. In 1928 he became president of Oklahoma A. and M. He has been very active in church work and is in wide demand as a speaker for church gatherings.

## Two Million Chicagoans Found Without Religious Affiliation

CHICAGO—(RNS)—There are two million persons in the Chicago area—581,000 of whom are children and young people—who have no religious affiliation, according to Dr. Neil I. Hansen, general director of the Chicago Congregational Union.

Dr. Hansen, who addressed the Union's 68th annual meeting here, gave these figures:

"There are 2,000 Protestant churches

in the area with 720,000 members; 412 Catholic churches with 1,725,000 members and 135 synagogues with 325,000 members.

"Out of a total of 974,000 children under 14, at least 415,000 are untouched by any church. And from 391,000 teenagers between 14 and 19 years, 166,000 of these are not affiliated with any church."

## Taking to the Bench

For forty-two years Dr. John D. Freeman worked as a preacher of the Gospel. During 35 of those he was engaged full-time, 28 in general denominational work.

In Tennessee he saw their paper, The Baptist and Reflector, increase four-fold from a net paid circulation of less than 2,000. As Executive Secretary he saw the total state debt of more than one million dollars whittled down by adjustments and payments to only a bit above \$100,000, and the number of churches supporting the Co-operative Program increase from about 750 to twice that number. When he went to Kentucky as editor of The Western Recorder, he had begun to see his dream of a worker in each association of the state becoming a reality.

He saw the Rural Church Program of the Home Mission Board well established, with its basic principles accepted in whole or in part by each state of the South with a rural problem. And just when he was beginning to get the Arkansas Baptist Foundation launched, the discovery of physical defects, which make field work dangerous, brought him up with a shock.

Due to the long and arduous years of general work, most of them given in gladness and abandon in Tennessee, physical strength has become depleted. While there is enough reserve energy to help rebuild the worn tissues, he is acting upon the advice of physicians and has asked for retirement, and has accepted some special duties in the Bible Institute at Lakeland, Florida.

Freed from administrative duties and heavy promotional work, Dr. Freeman will have the privilege of recuperating in the Land of Sunshine while teaching the Word and helping set up the Rural Church Administration Department which, as yet, none of our schools has seen fit to inaugurate.

He will be available as supply preach-

## Nigerian Students Made High Record

Natives of Nigeria set a difficult pace for fellow students in Virginia Union University at Richmond. Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Dahunsi, who are attending the school under the auspices of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, have received their grades for the first semester.

Mr. Dahunsi proudly reported to Dr. George W. Sadler, the Board's secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, that his wife made three A's and four B's.

"Well, what did you make?" Dr. Sadler asked.

"Six A's," he replied modestly.

The couple had never been out of Nigeria when they boarded a plane for the States last August. They will return to their native country when school days are over.

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## MC Debate Teams Win Distinctions

CLINTON, Miss., Jan. 24—Members of the Mississippi College Debating Team returned from Arkansas Saturday after participating in debate and oratorical contests at Ouachita College.

Mississippi College received special recognition when three of the five Mississippi College debate teams entered the semi-finals. Two of the four girl's debate teams entering the semi-finals were teams from Mississippi College.

In the oratorical contest Miss Martha Maxwell, Memphis, received 2nd place and Miss Dot Dunn, Hamburg, Ark., received 3rd place. In the senior woman's division of the debate contest Miss Martha Maxwell and Miss Betty Jo Raspberry, Soso, went to the semi-finals. This team lost by a two to one decision.

In the junior woman's division, Miss Martha Howington, Jackson, and Miss Frances Boyte, Port Gibson, went to the

## HAS PERFECT RECORD IN S. S. FOR THREE YEARS



ALFRED HARPER

Alfred Harper, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Harper of Russell, has a perfect attendance record for Sunday School and Church for three consecutive years. Alfred is a member of the Russell Church.

At the regular worship on February 4, the church honored him by presenting him with a nice gift, expressing to him appreciation for his fine Christian life, and the contribution he is making to the church and community.

Three others from Russell Church have a perfect attendance record for one year. These are: Harmon Rawson of the Men's Bible Class, and Elizabeth Murphy and Ann Roberts of the Junior Class. Reverend Houston Fitzgerald is pastor at Russell.

semi-finals. In the junior men's division Louis Wilhite, Monroe, La., and Ferrell Cork, Akron, Ohio, lost by a two to one decision in the semi-finals. In the senior men's division were John Moore, Shubuta, and Reece Acklen, Sanford, on one team and Bill Cox, Des Moines, Iowa, and Frank Crawford, New Hebron, on the other.

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## BAPTIST COMMISSION TO STUDY SOCIAL PROBLEMS

DALLAS, Tex. —(RNS)— A group of Baptist preachers will make a study of what Christianity can do about such things as gambling, drinking, bad literature and indecent movies in Texas.

The executive board of the Baptist General Convention, at its annual meeting here, named a Christian Life Commission to conduct the project.

The preachers also will study the problem of broken homes and race relations. Their object will be to see what Christians as a whole, rather than just Baptists, can do to solve the problems.

The board also officially launched the largest campaign for Christ ever held in the state—a drive to win 250,000 Texans for churches.

Board members stood in windy, 32-degree weather to break ground on a million-dollar Baptist headquarters building.

The building is being jointly erected by the Baptist Foundation of Texas, the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

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